

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the  
Eastern District of Wisconsin

In the Matter of the Search of )  
(Briefly describe the property to be searched )  
or identify the person by name and address) )  
Information about the location of the cellular )  
telephone assigned call number 414-377-1663, )  
more particularly described in Attachment A. )

Case No. 24-M-435 (SCD)

## WARRANT BY TELEPHONE OR OTHER RELIABLE ELECTRONIC MEANS

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

An application by a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government requests the search and seizure of the following person or property located in the \_\_\_\_\_ District of \_\_\_\_\_  
(identify the person or describe the property to be searched and give its location):

See Attachment A.

I find that the affidavit(s), or any recorded testimony, establish probable cause to search and seize the person or property described above, and that such search will reveal (identify the person or describe the property to be seized):

See Attachment B.

6-7-24

YOU ARE COMMANDED to execute this warrant on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed 14 days)

☐ in the daytime 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ☒ at any time in the day or night because good cause has been established.

Unless delayed notice is authorized below, you must give a copy of the warrant and a receipt for the property taken to the person from whom, or from whose premises, the property was taken, or leave the copy and receipt at the place where the property was taken.

The officer executing this warrant, or an officer present during the execution of the warrant, must prepare an inventory as required by law and promptly return this warrant and inventory to \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen C. Dries  
(United States Magistrate Judge)

☒ Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b), I find that immediate notification may have an adverse result listed in 18 U.S.C. § 2705 (except for delay of trial), and authorize the officer executing this warrant to delay notice to the person who, or whose property, will be searched or seized (check the appropriate box)

☒ for 30 days (not to exceed 30) ☐ until, the facts justifying, the later specific date of \_\_\_\_\_

Date and time issued: 5-24-24 10:10 am

Judge's signature

City and state: Milwaukee, WI

Stephen C. Dries, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title



## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Property to Be Searched**

Records and information associated with the cellular device assigned **414-377-1663** (referred to herein and in Attachment B as “the Target Cell Phone”), with listed subscriber(s) unknown that is in the custody or control of **AT&T CORPORATION** (referred to herein and in Attachment B as the “Service Provider”), a wireless communications service provider that is headquartered at 11760 US Highway 1, North Palm Beach, FL 33408.

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **Particular Things to be Seized**

#### **I. Information to be Disclosed by the Provider**

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the Service Provider or that has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the Service Provider is required to disclose to the government the following information pertaining to the Account listed in Attachment A:

- a. The following subscriber and historical information about the customers or subscribers associated with the Target Cell Phone for the time period **03/23/2024-05/23/2024**:
  - i. Names (including subscriber names, user names, and screen names);
  - ii. Addresses (including mailing addresses, residential addresses, business addresses, and e-mail addresses);
  - iii. Local and long distance telephone connection records;
  - iv. Records of session times and durations, and the temporarily assigned network addresses (such as Internet Protocol (“IP”) addresses) associated with those sessions;
  - v. Length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized;
  - vi. Telephone or instrument numbers (including MAC addresses, Electronic Serial Numbers (“ESN”), Mobile Electronic Identity Numbers (“MEIN”), Mobile Equipment Identifier (“MEID”); Mobile Identification Number (“MIN”), Subscriber Identity Modules (“SIM”), Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number (“MSISDN”); International Mobile Subscriber Identity Identifiers (“IMSI”), or International Mobile Equipment Identities (“IMEI”);
  - vii. Other subscriber numbers or identities (including the registration Internet Protocol (“IP”) address); and
  - viii. Means and source of payment for such service (including any credit card or bank account number) and billing records.

- ix. All records and other information (not including the contents of communications) relating to wire and electronic communications sent or received by the Target Cell Phone, including:
  - (A) the date and time of the communication, the method of the communication, and the source and destination of the communication (such as the source and destination telephone numbers (call detail records), email addresses, and IP addresses); and
    - (ii) information regarding the cell tower and antenna face (also known as “sectors” through which the communications were sent and received) as well as per-call measurement data (also known as “real-time tool” or “RTT”)].
- b. Information associated with each communication to and from the Target Cell Phone for a period of 30 days from the date of this warrant, including:
  - i. Any unique identifiers associated with the cellular device, including ESN, MEIN, MSISDN, IMSI, SIM, or MIN;
  - ii. Source and destination telephone numbers;
  - iii. Date, time, and duration of communication; and
  - iv. All data about the cell towers (i.e. antenna towers covering specific geographic areas) and sectors (i.e. faces of the towers) to which the Target Cell Phone will connect at the beginning and end of each communication as well as per-call measurement data (also known as “real-time tool” or “RTT”).

The Court has also issued an order pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123, dated today, for such information associated with the Target Cell Phone.

- c. Information about the location of the Target Cell Phone for a period of 30 days, during all times of day and night. “Information about the location of the Subject Phone” includes all available E-911 Phase II data, GPS data, latitude-longitude data, and other precise location information.
  - i. To the extent that the information described in the previous paragraph (hereinafter, “Location Information”) is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, the Service Provider is required to disclose the Location Information to the government. In addition, the Service Provider must furnish the government all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the collection of the Location Information unobtrusively and with a minimum of interference with the

Service Provider's services, including by initiating a signal to determine the location of the Target Cell Phone on the Service Provider's network or with such other reference points as may be reasonably available, and at such intervals and times directed by the government. The government shall compensate the Service Provider for reasonable expenses incurred in furnishing such facilities or assistance.

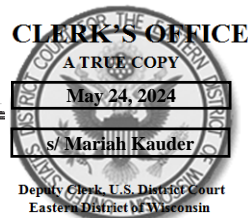
- ii. This warrant does not authorize the seizure of any tangible property. In approving this warrant, the Court finds reasonable necessity for the seizure of the Location Information. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b)(2).

## **II. Information to be Seized by the Government**

All information described above in Section I that constitutes fruits, evidence and instrumentalities of either (i) violations of Title 18 U.S.C. Section 751 (a) (Escape from Federal Custody) involving Gerald JONES including, but not limited to, information pertaining to the following matters:

- (a) JONES'S location; and

Law enforcement personnel (who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, agency personnel assisting the government in this investigation, and outside technical experts under government control) are authorized to review the records produced by the Service Provider in order to locate the things particularly described in this Warrant.



## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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In the Matter of the Search of

(Briefly describe the property to be searched  
or identify the person by name and address)

Information about the location of the cellular telephone  
assigned call number 414-377-1663, more particularly  
described in Attachment A.

Case No. 24-M-435 (SCD)

## APPLICATION FOR A WARRANT BY TELEPHONE OR OTHER RELIABLE ELECTRONIC MEANS

I, a federal law enforcement officer or an attorney for the government, request a search warrant and state under penalty of perjury that I have reason to believe that on the following person or property (identify the person or describe the property to be searched and give its location):

See Attachment A.

located in the \_\_\_\_\_ District of \_\_\_\_\_, there is now concealed (identify the person or describe the property to be seized):

See Attachment B.

The basis for the search under Fed. R. Crim. P. 41(c) is (check one or more):

- ☒ evidence of a crime;  
☐ contraband, fruits of crime, or other items illegally possessed;  
☐ property designed for use, intended for use, or used in committing a crime;  
☐ a person to be arrested or a person who is unlawfully restrained.

The search is related to a violation of:

Code Section  
18 U.S.C. § 751 (a)

Escape from Custody

Offense Description

The application is based on these facts:  
See Attached Affidavit

- ☒ Continued on the attached sheet.  
☒ Delayed notice of 30 days (give exact ending date if more than 30 days: \_\_\_\_\_) is requested under 18 U.S.C. § 3103a, the basis of which is set forth on the attached sheet.

Applicant's signature

Kevin Smith, Deputy U.S. Marshal

Printed name and title

Attested to by the applicant in accordance with the requirements of Fed. R. Crim. P. 4.1 by  
\_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_ (specify reliable electronic means).

Date: 5-24-24

Judge's signature

City and state: Milwaukee, WI

Stephen C. Dries, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF  
AN APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT**

I, Deputy U.S. Marshal (DUSM) Kevin Smith, being first duly sworn, hereby depose and state as follows:

1. I make this affidavit in support of an application for a search warrant under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(c)(1)(A), for information about the location of the cellular telephone assigned call number 414-377-1663, (the “Target Cell Phone”), whose service provider is **AT&T CORPORATION** (“Service Provider”), a wireless telephone service provider headquartered at 11760 US Highway 1, North Palm Beach, FL 33408. The Target Cell Phone is described herein and in Attachment A, and the location information to be seized is described herein and in Attachment B.

2. Because this warrant application seeks the prospective collection of information, including cell-site location information, that may fall within the statutory definitions of information collected by a “pen register” and/or “trap and trace device,” *see* 18 U.S.C. § 3127(3) & (4), I also make this affidavit in support of an application by the United States of America for an order pursuant to 18 U.S.C §§ 3122 and 3123, authorizing the installation and use of pen registers and trap and trace devices (“pen-trap devices”) to record, decode, and/or capture dialing, routing, addressing, and signaling information associated with each communication to or from the Target Cell Phone.

3. I am a Deputy U.S. Marshal with the United States Marshals Service and have been since March of 2021. One of my primary duties is to investigate and arrest state and federal fugitives. I have had both formal training and have participated in numerous investigations to locate federal and state fugitives. Many of these investigations were aided by procurement of records related to electronic communications and subsequent analysis of those records. In most of



those cases, the records provided critical investigative leads and corroborative evidence. I am an investigator or law enforcement officer of the United States within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. Section 2510(7), in that I am empowered by law to conduct investigations.

4. The facts in this affidavit come from my training and experience, my review of documents and information obtained from other agents. This affidavit is intended to show merely that there is probable cause for the requested warrant and does not set forth all my knowledge about this matter.

5. Based on the facts set forth in this affidavit, there is probable cause to believe that Gerald JONES has violated 18 U.S.C. Section 751 (a) (Escape from Federal Custody). JONES is the subject of an arrest warrant issued on April 5th, 2024, regarding the violations, more fully described below. There is also probable cause to believe that JONES is aware of these charges and has fled. There is also probable cause to believe that the location information described in Attachment B will assist law enforcement in arresting JONES, who is a “person to be arrested” within the meaning of Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(c)(4). The court has jurisdiction to issue the proposed warrant because it is a “court of competent jurisdiction” as defined 18 U.S.C. Section 2711. Specifically, the Court is a district court of the United States that has jurisdiction over the offense being investigated, *see* 18 U.S.C. Section 2711(3)(A)(i).

6. The court has jurisdiction to issue the proposed warrant because it is a “court of competent jurisdiction” as defined 18 U.S.C. Section 2711. Specifically, the Court is a district court of the United States that has jurisdiction over the offense being investigated, *see* 18 U.S.C. Section 2711(3)(A)(i).

7. The United States government, including the USMS, is investigating violations of Title 18 U.S.C. Section 751 (a) (Escape from Federal Custody) committed by Gerald JONES.

8. On August 1, 2017, JONES pled guilty in the Western District of Missouri for violating U.S.C. Sections 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B) in case number 6:16-03062-RK-2.

9. On September 18, 2018, JONES was sentenced and committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prison (BOP) to be imprisoned for a total term of 132 months to be followed by 5 years of Supervised Release. On December 19, 2023, after serving time incarcerated with the BOP, JONES was transferred to serve the remainder of his prison sentence at the Parson's House Residential Reentry Center (RRC) located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

10. On April 1, 2024 at approximately 1:40 p.m., the United States Marshals Service received notification from the Bureau of Prisons of Jones' escape status. According to Parson's House staff, JONES exited the front doors of Parson's House unauthorized at 1:30 p.m.

11. On April 3, 2024, this affiant contacted Parson's House to confirm that JONES was still on escape status and had not returned. Parson's House staff confirmed that JONES was still considered a federal BOP escapee and would need to be located and apprehended by the USMS.

12. On April 5, 2024, a federal arrest warrant was issued for JONES based on the new criminal charge (Escape from Federal Custody) in case 24-MJ-77 by the Honorable United States Magistrate Judge William E. Duffin.

13. On April 24, 2024, this affiant contacted Parson's House to obtain further information regarding the contact number JONES had on file while housed at Parson's. Staff gave the phone number of 414-377-1663, stating this was JONES' last known cell phone number.

14. A query of the phone number 414-377-1663 on the mobile application, Cash App shows the phone number associated to the account with the name "Gerald Jones" and username "\$GeraldJones81". The profile photo of the account was compared with the Wisconsin DOT photo for Gerald JONES and it was determined to be the same person.

15. A search of the phone number 414-377-1663 on the open-source database Clear showed it listing to “Gerald A Jones.”

16. Tolls for the number 414-377-1663 were received and reviewed by this affiant. The tolls revealed callers to include Rose Yarber, JONES’S mother, and Richard Yarber, JONES’S brother. Tolls also show the top caller to be Bethany Thomas, who has been identified as the mother to JONES’S children.

17. It has been determined that this Target Number is being used by JONES. Law enforcement databases show the Target Cell Phone’s number 414-377-1663 to be an active wireless number with **AT&T CORPORATION** (the “Service Provider”).

18. In my training and experience, I have learned that the Service Provider is a company that provides cellular communications service to the general public. I also know that providers of cellular communications service have technical capabilities that allow them to collect and generate information about the locations of the cellular devices to which they provide service, including cell-site data, also known as “tower/face information” or “cell tower/sector records.” Cell-site data identifies the “cell towers” (i.e., antenna towers covering specific geographic areas) that received a radio signal from the cellular device and, in some cases, the “sector” (i.e., faces of the towers) to which the device connected. These towers are often a half- mile or more apart, even in urban areas, and can be 10 or more miles apart in rural areas. Furthermore, the tower closest to a wireless device does not necessarily serve every call made to or from that device. Accordingly, cell-site data provides an approximate general location of the cellular device.

19. Based on my training and experience, I know that the Service Provider can collect cell-site data on a prospective basis about the Target Cell Phone. Based on my training and experience, I know that for each communication a cellular device makes, its wireless service

provider can typically determine: (1) the date and time of the communication; (2) the telephone numbers involved, if any; (3) the cell tower to which the customer connected at the beginning of the communication; (4) the cell tower to which the customer was connected at the end of the communication; and (5) the duration of the communication. I also know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain cell-site data pertaining to cellular devices to which they provide service in their normal course of business in order to use this information for various business-related purposes.

20. I know that some providers of cellular telephone service have technical capabilities that allow them to collect and generate E-911 Phase II data, also known as GPS data or latitude-longitude data. E-911 Phase II data provides relatively precise location information about the cellular telephone itself, either via GPS tracking technology built into the phone or by triangulating on the device's signal using data from several of the provider's cell towers. As discussed above, cell-site data identifies the "cell towers" (i.e., antenna towers covering specific geographic areas) that received a radio signal from the cellular telephone and, in some cases, the "sector" (i.e., faces of the towers) to which the telephone connected. These towers are often a half-mile or more apart, even in urban areas, and can be 10 or more miles apart in rural areas. Furthermore, the tower closest to a wireless device does not necessarily serve every call made to or from that device. Accordingly, cell-site data is typically less precise than E-911 Phase II data. Based on my training and experience, I know that the Service Provider can collect E-911 Phase II data about the location of the Target Cell Phone, including by initiating a signal to determine the location of the Target Cell Phone on the Service Provider's network or with such other reference points as may be reasonably available.

21. Based on my training and experience, I know each cellular device has one or more unique identifiers embedded inside it. Depending on the cellular network and the device, the embedded unique identifiers for a cellular device could take several different forms, including an Electronic Serial Number (“ESN”), a Mobile Electronic Identity Number (“MEIN”), a Mobile Identification Number (“MIN”), a Subscriber Identity Module (“SIM”), a Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number (“MSISDN”), an International Mobile Subscriber Identifier (“IMSI”), or an International Mobile Equipment Identity (“IMEI”). The unique identifiers – as transmitted from a cellular device to a cellular antenna or tower – can be recorded by pen-trap devices and indicate the identity of the cellular device making the communication without revealing the communication’s content.

22. Based on my training and experience, I know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain information about their subscribers in their normal course of business. This information can include basic personal information about the subscriber, such as name and address, and the method(s) of payment (such as credit card account number) provided by the subscriber to pay for wireless communication service. I also know that wireless providers such as the Service Provider typically collect and retain information about their subscribers’ use of the wireless service, such as records about calls or other communications sent or received by a particular device and other transactional records, in their normal course of business. In my training and experience, this information may constitute evidence of the crimes under investigation because the information can be used to identify the Target Cell Phone’s user or users and may assist in the identification of co-conspirators and/or victims.

23. Based on the foregoing, I request that the Court issue the proposed warrant, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(c) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41.

24. I further request that the Court direct the Service Provider to disclose to the government any information described in Section I of Attachment B that is within its possession, custody, or control.

25. I also request that the Court direct the Service Provider to furnish the government all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the collection of the information described in Attachment B unobtrusively and with a minimum of interference with the Service Provider's services, including by initiating a signal to determine the location of the Target Cell Phone on the Service Provider's network or with such other reference points as may be reasonably available, and at such intervals and times directed by the government. The government shall reasonably compensate the Service Provider for reasonable expenses incurred in furnishing such facilities or assistance.

26. I further request, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(f)(3), that the Court authorize the officer executing the warrant to delay notice until 30 days after the collection authorized by the warrant has been completed. There is reasonable cause to believe that providing immediate notification of the warrant may have an adverse result, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2705. Providing immediate notice to the subscriber or user of the Target Cell Phone would seriously jeopardize the ongoing investigation, as such a disclosure would give that person an opportunity to destroy evidence, change patterns of behavior, notify confederates, and flee from prosecution. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b)(1). As further specified in Attachment B, which is incorporated into the warrant, the proposed search warrant does not authorize the seizure of any tangible property. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b)(2). Moreover, to the extent that the warrant authorizes the seizure of any wire or electronic communication (as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2510)

or any stored wire or electronic information, there is reasonable necessity for the seizure for the reasons set forth above. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b)(2).

27. Because the warrant will be served on the Service Provider, who will then compile the requested records at a time convenient to it, reasonable cause exists to permit the execution of the requested warrant at any time in the day or night. I further request that the Court authorize execution of the warrant at any time of day or night, owing to the potential need to locate the Target Cell Phone outside of daytime hours.

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **Property to Be Searched**

Records and information associated with the cellular device assigned **414-377-1663** (referred to herein and in Attachment B as “the Target Cell Phone”), with listed subscriber(s) unknown that is in the custody or control of **AT&T CORPORATION** (referred to herein and in Attachment B as the “Service Provider”), a wireless communications service provider that is headquartered at 11760 US Highway 1, North Palm Beach, FL 33408.



## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **Particular Things to be Seized**

#### **I. Information to be Disclosed by the Provider**

To the extent that the information described in Attachment A is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, including any information that has been deleted but is still available to the Service Provider or that has been preserved pursuant to a request made under 18 U.S.C. § 2703(f), the Service Provider is required to disclose to the government the following information pertaining to the Account listed in Attachment A:

- a. The following subscriber and historical information about the customers or subscribers associated with the Target Cell Phone for the time period **03/23/2024-05/23/2024**:
  - i. Names (including subscriber names, user names, and screen names);
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  - v. Length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized;
  - vi. Telephone or instrument numbers (including MAC addresses, Electronic Serial Numbers (“ESN”), Mobile Electronic Identity Numbers (“MEIN”), Mobile Equipment Identifier (“MEID”); Mobile Identification Number (“MIN”), Subscriber Identity Modules (“SIM”), Mobile Subscriber Integrated Services Digital Network Number (“MSISDN”); International Mobile Subscriber Identity Identifiers (“IMSI”), or International Mobile Equipment Identities (“IMEI”);
  - vii. Other subscriber numbers or identities (including the registration Internet Protocol (“IP”) address); and
  - viii. Means and source of payment for such service (including any credit card or bank account number) and billing records.

- ix. All records and other information (not including the contents of communications) relating to wire and electronic communications sent or received by the Target Cell Phone, including:
  - (A) the date and time of the communication, the method of the communication, and the source and destination of the communication (such as the source and destination telephone numbers (call detail records), email addresses, and IP addresses); and
  - (ii) information regarding the cell tower and antenna face (also known as “sectors” through which the communications were sent and received) as well as per-call measurement data (also known as “real-time tool” or “RTT”)].
- b. Information associated with each communication to and from the Target Cell Phone for a period of 30 days from the date of this warrant, including:
  - i. Any unique identifiers associated with the cellular device, including ESN, MEIN, MSISDN, IMSI, SIM, or MIN;
  - ii. Source and destination telephone numbers;
  - iii. Date, time, and duration of communication; and
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The Court has also issued an order pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123, dated today, for such information associated with the Target Cell Phone.

- c. Information about the location of the Target Cell Phone for a period of 30 days, during all times of day and night. “Information about the location of the Subject Phone” includes all available E-911 Phase II data, GPS data, latitude-longitude data, and other precise location information.
  - i. To the extent that the information described in the previous paragraph (hereinafter, “Location Information”) is within the possession, custody, or control of the Service Provider, the Service Provider is required to disclose the Location Information to the government. In addition, the Service Provider must furnish the government all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the collection of the Location Information unobtrusively and with a minimum of interference with the

Service Provider's services, including by initiating a signal to determine the location of the Target Cell Phone on the Service Provider's network or with such other reference points as may be reasonably available, and at such intervals and times directed by the government. The government shall compensate the Service Provider for reasonable expenses incurred in furnishing such facilities or assistance.

- ii. This warrant does not authorize the seizure of any tangible property. In approving this warrant, the Court finds reasonable necessity for the seizure of the Location Information. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3103a(b)(2).

## **II. Information to be Seized by the Government**

All information described above in Section I that constitutes fruits, evidence and instrumentalities of either (i) violations of Title 18 U.S.C. Section 751 (a) (Escape from Federal Custody) involving Gerald JONES including, but not limited to, information pertaining to the following matters:

- (a) JONES'S location; and

Law enforcement personnel (who may include, in addition to law enforcement officers and agents, attorneys for the government, attorney support staff, agency personnel assisting the government in this investigation, and outside technical experts under government control) are authorized to review the records produced by the Service Provider in order to locate the things particularly described in this Warrant.